MILITARY ASYLUM.

PETITION

OF

OFFICERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN MEXICO,

PRAYING

Congress to establish an asylum for the support of invalid soldiers.

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To the honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

We, the undersigned, your petitioners, actuated by an earnest desire to secure protection and relief to our old an invalid soldiers, and at the same time to elevate the character and increase the efficiency of our army, pray your consideration of a "bill to found a military asylum for the relief and support of invalid soldiers of the army of the United States," which was twice reported by Military Committees of the House of Representatives. (See report 74, 2d session 26th Congress, and 109, 2d session 28th Congress.)

The first of these reports is so clear in its statements and arguments, and the bill is so carefully and judiciously framed, that your petitioners deem it unnecessary to do more than earnestly solicit your attentive perusal of the same. That you will adopt the above, or some better scheme for the same object, is the earnest prayer of your petitioners; who, as in duty

bound, will ever pray, &c.

[Signed by 311 officers U.S. army.]

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